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FREE OF COST FOODGRAINS UNDER SGRY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY);

(b) if so, the objectives of the programme, the agencies involved therein and the tasks assigned to them;

(c) whether the Government propose to include rural employment schemes besides providing foodgrains free of cost under the scheme;

(d) if so, the number of persons likely to be provided employment under the scheme, State-wise/Union Territory-wise and the extent of likely benefits to the poor;

(e) the financial assistance provided, as on date, States/Union Territory-wise especially to Andhra Pradesh;

(f) the quality of foodgrains provided free of cost and lifted by each State, as on date, under the scheme;

(g) the number of proposals received for rural development works under the scheme, State-wise; and

(h) the details of cost sharing between the Centre and the State Government under the scheme ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The objectives of the Programme are to provide additional wage employment in the rural areas as also food security, alongside the creation of durable community, social and economic infrastructure in the rural areas. The programme is being implemented through three levels of Panchayati Raj Institutions.

(c) Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana is itself a rural wage employment scheme which has a cash as well as foodgrains component about 50% of the resources are in cash.

(d) No targets are fixed under the scheme. The number of mandays generated under SGRY in 2003-04 is given in Annexure-I.

(e) A statement showing Central grants released under SGRY during the years 2002- 03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 (as on date) is given in Annexure-II.

(f) A statement showing foodgrains authorised and lifted under SGRY during the years 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 (as on date) is given in Annexure-III.

(g) The scheme is allocation based. Allocation of resources to the States/UTs is done at the beginning of the financial year based on certain pre-determined criteria. Under the scheme, selection, execution and monitoring of works is done by the Panchayati Raj Institutions concerned.

(h) Under the SGRY, the cash component of the Programme is shared between the Centre and the States in the ratio of 75:25. In the case of the Union Territories, Centre provides 100% funds. Foodgrains under the scheme are provided free of cost to the States/UTs.